

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 21 through June 26, 2004

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 1 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of S. 2400, Department of Defense Authorization.

During the balance of the week, upon conclusion of S. 2400, DOD Authorization, Senate will begin consideration of S. 2062, Class Action Fairness Act. Also, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:** June 23, Subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine proposed legislation permitting the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to register Canadian pesticides, 10 a.m., SD-628.

June 24, Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act (P.L. 108-148), 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

**Committee on Appropriations:** June 22, Subcommittee on District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine the structural imbalance of the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD-138.

June 22, Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, 10 a.m., SD-192.

June 22, Full Committee, business meeting to markup proposed legislation making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, 3:30 p.m., SD-106.

**Committee on Armed Services:** June 23, to hold hearings to examine the transition to sovereignty in Iraq, focusing on U.S. policy, ongoing military operations, and status of U.S. Armed Forces, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

June 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General George W. Casey, Jr., USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, Multi-National Force-Iraq, 10 a.m., SR-222.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** June 22, to hold hearings to examine regulatory reform proposals, 10 a.m., SD-538.

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** June 22, to hold hearings to examine aviation security, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 23, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine successes in the field of stem cell research, 11 a.m., SR-253.

June 23, Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine peer-to-peer networks, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

June 24, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine security screening options for airports, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

June 24, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine H.R. 2608, to reauthorize the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** June 22, Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Energy's High Performance Computing research and development activities in both the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Office of Science, and S. 2176, to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out a program of research and development to advance high-end computing through the Office of Science, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 23, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine the grazing programs of the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, including permit renewals, recent and proposed changes to grazing regulations, and the Wild Horse and Burro program, as it relates to grazing, and the Administration's proposal for sagegrouse habitat conservation, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

June 24, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 2543, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

**Committee on Finance:** June 22, to hold hearings to examine tax-exempt organizations, focusing on governance and best practices of charities, charities accommodating tax shelters, and current problems and issues in the charitable community, 10 a.m., SDG-50.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** June 21, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Douglas L. McElhaney, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Aldona Wos, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Charles Graves Untermeyer, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the State of Qatar, and William T. Monroe, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain, 3 p.m., SD-419.

June 22, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar matters, Time to be announced, S-116, Capitol.

June 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the safety and security of Peace Corps volunteers around the world, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

June 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of June Carter Perry, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Joyce A. Barr, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia, R. Barrie Walkley, of California, to

be Ambassador to the Gabonese Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, James D. McGee, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Madagascar, Cynthia G. Efrid, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, Jackson McDonald, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea, and Christopher William Dell, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zimbabwe, 10 a.m., SD-419.

June 23, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine Iraq as June 30, 2004 approaches, 3 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

June 24, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Narcotics Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the state of democracy in Venezuela, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* June 23, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of David M. Stone, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 11:30 a.m., SD-342.

June 23, Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine weapons of mass destruction smuggling networks and U.S. programs and initiatives, such as the Proliferation Security Initiative, to counter these proliferation threats, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* June 24, to hold hearings to examine the reauthorization of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* June 23, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by an oversight hearing to examine Indian tribal detention facilities, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* June 22, to hold hearings to examine preserving traditional marriage, focusing on states' perspective, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 22, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the use of subpoena authority and pretrial detention of terrorists in fighting terrorism, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

June 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending judicial nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the law of biologic medicine, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* June 22, to hold hearings to examine pending Veterans' programs bills, 2:45 p.m., SR-418.

*Special Committee on Aging:* June 22, to hold hearings to examine the Medicaid crisis, 10 a.m., SD-628.

### House Chamber

To be announced.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* June 23, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research, hearing to review Agricultural Biotechnology, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* June 22, Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Air Force Budget Request, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* June 22, hearing on Progress in Iraq, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

June 23, hearing on the U.S. global defense footprint, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on contractor support in the Department of Defense, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing on Department of Defense small caliber ammunition programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* June 22, Subcommittee on 21st Century Competitiveness, hearing entitled "H.R. 4283, the College Access and Opportunity Act: Does Accreditation Provide Students and Parents Accountability and Quality?" 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 23, full Committee, hearing entitled "No Child Left Behind: Raising Student Achievement in America's Big City Schools," 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing entitled "Examining Innovative Health Insurance Options for Workers and Employers," 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* June 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Travel, Tourism, and Homeland Security: Improving Both without Sacrificing Either," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing entitled "Protecting Homeland Security: A Status Report on Interoperability Between Public Safety Communications Systems," 1:30 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "A Review of Hospital Billing and Collection Practices," 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* June 22, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "The New Basel Accord: Private Sector Perspectives," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, joint hearing entitled "Promoting Homeownership by Ensuring Liquidity in the Subprime Mortgage Market," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, oversight hearing on the Public Company Oversight Board, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* June 22, Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "LNG Import Terminal and Deep-water Port Siting: Federal and State Roles," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, to continue hearings on "Nuclear Security: Can DOE Meet Facility Security Requirements?" (Part II), 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 23, full Committee, hearing entitled “Common Sense Justice for the Nation’s Capital: An Examination of Proposals to Give D.C. Residents Direct Representation,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, hearing entitled “Geospatial Information: Are we Headed in the Right Direction or Are We Lost?” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 24, full Committee, hearing entitled “Target Washington: Coordinating Federal Homeland Security Efforts with Local Jurisdictions in the National Capital Region,” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled “Living with Disabilities in the United States: A Snapshot,” 2:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, June 22, hearing on A Parent’s Worst Nightmare: The Heartbreak of International Child Abductions, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward South Asia, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 23, full Committee, hearing on Stolen Passports: A Terrorist’s First Class Ticket, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Recent Developments in Hong Kong, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia, hearing on Iranian Proliferation: Implications for Terrorists, their State-Sponsors, and U.S. Counter-proliferation Policy, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Africa, hearing on Confronting War Crimes in Africa, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on International Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Human Rights, hearing on Trafficking in Persons: A Global Review, 9 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, June 22, oversight hearing entitled “Safeguarding Americans from a Legal Culture of Fear: Approaches to Limiting Lawsuit Abuse,” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 22, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on S. 1194, Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2003, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 23, full Committee, to markup the following bills: H.R. 3247, Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands Act of 2003; H.R. 338, Defense of Privacy Act; H.R. 3632, Anti-Counterfeiting Amendments of 2003, and H.R. 2934, Terrorist Penalties Enhancement Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 23, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, to continue hearings on “Families and Business Limbo: the Detrimental Impact of the Immigration Backlog,” 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, to continue oversight hearings on the Administrative Conference of the United States, II: Why is

There a Need to Reauthorize the Conference? 2:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on the Constitution, oversight hearing entitled “Limiting Federal Court Jurisdiction to Protect Marriage for the States,” 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing entitled “Patent Quality Improvement: Post-Grant Opposition,” 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, June 23, hearing on S. 1721, American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 23, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Developing Biomass Potential: Turning Hazardous Fuels into Valuable Products, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 23, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following: H.R. 4300, Eastern Municipal Water District Recycled Water System Pressurization and Expansion Project; H.R. 4389, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, military, and other uses from the Santa Margarita River, California; H.R. 4459, Llagas Reclamation Groundwater Remediation Initiative; and a measure To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and in coordination with other Federal, State, and local government agencies, to participate in the funding and implementation of a balanced, long-term groundwater remediation program in California, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 24, full Committee, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 831, To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Bay Mills Indian Community; and H.R. 2793, To provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on the following: H.R. 4010, National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 2004; and a measure to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

June 24, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on H.R. 3320, American Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources Protection Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, June 21, to consider H.R. 4613, Making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, June 23, hearing on the Report of the President’s Commission on Implementation of United States Space Exploration Policy, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing on Nuclear R&D and the Idaho National Laboratory, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Environment, Technology and Standards, hearing on Testing and Certification for Voting Equipment: How Can the Process Be Improved? 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, June 22, Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Public Transportation Security, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

June 24, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, oversight hearing on Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers—Recommendations for Navigation Improvements and Ecosystem Restoration, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, June 23, oversight hearing entitled: "Protecting the Rights of Those Who Protect Us: Public Sector Compliance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and Improvements to the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA);" followed by a hearing to examine an expanded enforcement role for the Office of Special Counsel and public sector compliance with USERRA, and the following measures: H.R. 3779, Safeguarding Schoolchildren of Deployed Soldiers Act of 2004; H.R. 4477, Patriotic Employer Act of 2004; the USERRA Health

Care Coverage Extension Act of 2004; and the Servicemembers Legal Protection Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

June 24, Subcommittee on Health, hearing to consider a measure to authorize numerous capital leases, changes to the enhanced-use lease authority, capital asset and construction matters, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, June 22, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on Tax Exemption: Pricing Practices of Hospitals, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Select Committee on Homeland Security*, June 24, hearing entitled "Information Sharing After September 11: Perspectives on the Future," 10:30 a.m., room to be announced.

### Joint Meetings

*Conference*: June 23, meeting of conferees on H.R. 3550, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, 2 p.m., RHOB 2167.